

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC PARISH TAREE
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC PARISH WINGHAM
 Mass centres of Cundletown, Harrington, Lansdowne & Old Bar

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - YEAR B 25TH OF MARCH 2018

THIS WEEK'S READINGS
25TH OF MARCH

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

FIRST READING: Is 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

SECOND READING: Phil 2:6-11

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise and Glory to you,
 Lord Jesus Christ!

King of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
 King of endless glory!

GOSPEL: Mk 14:1 – 15:47

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

REFLECTION

In this final Lenten Sunday, we see that we have been saved through the kenotic (partial renunciation of divine nature) humility of Jesus, not through military power. We have a saviour who was crushed for our iniquities, nailed to a cross as a convicted criminal, and there endured the sense of abandonment. However, this saviour was later lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine prerogatives.

Jesus became one of us in order to show us how we are to live. He was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down. The passion recounts the extent to which he willingly offered himself. We have a saviour who first offered himself for us and then continues to offer himself to us as an example to follow. As he was willing to empty himself for our sake, so we are told to empty ourselves for the sake of others.

The best way to enter Holy Week with him is in the company of those with whom he has identified himself: the poor and the broken; the humiliated and the marginalised; those who suffer the abuse of others; those who never use rank to force their will. If we are to be saved, we must go where salvation takes place: in our streets and in our homes where violence rages; in the dark corners of life where despair seems to hold sway; wherever the innocent are abused or the needy are neglected; wherever there is misunderstanding or fear or jealousy. We must go wherever Christ empties himself for us.

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PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE & WINGHAM PARISHES

SICK: Patricia Wolfenden, Sue Davis, Judy Nies, John O'Keefe, Barry Armitage, Mary McCaffrey, Maree Dunne, Linda Norris, Maureen Barrett, Gloria Ellis, Mikala Corben, Jim Wills, Sue Berry, Margaret Boyton, Bev Crouch, Lawrence Mattheson, Margaret Baker, Jennifer Anne Corben, Peter Holden, Robert MacGregor, Mary Headley, Bill Walker, Carmel Matheson, Steven Ralph, Carol Healey, Janora Senders, Terry Mason, Jim Canty, Raymond McBriarty and Tony Fionette.

ANNIVERSARIES : John Schneider, Bridget Lyons and Helmut Ploder

RECENTLY DECEASED: Edna Soronio, Matthew Harding and John Holdom

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
1ST OF APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

SECOND READING: Col 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

GOSPEL: Jn 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

My God, my God, why have You a--ban-doned me?

PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY 26TH MARCH, 2018

10.00 am Meditation Group- Old Pres
1.45 pm Prayer for Priests
7.00 pm-9.00 pm RCIA-Res C

TUESDAY 27TH MARCH

10.00 am Women's Prayer Grp-Old Library
9.30-11.00 am T&W Library open
10.30-11.30 am Old Bar Church open for prayers & Rosary
12.00 pm Men's Bible Study Grp-Old Pres
6:30 pm St Mary's Craft Group-St Mary's Hall
7.00 pm Chrism mass Cathedral Newcastle
Power off in Taree and Harrington Churches

WEDNESDAY 28TH MARCH

8.50 am Taree MMP Prayer for Priests
9.30 am Taree Mass
9.30 am Banyula mass
10.25 am Mass at St Clare's

THURSDAY 29TH OF MARCH

9.30 am No Taree Mass
9.30 am No school mass
10.00 am Reconciliation
7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Taree
7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Wingham

FRIDAY 30TH OF MARCH

9.00 am No Taree Mass
10.00 am Stations of the Cross Taree
10.00 am Stations of the Cross Old Bar
11.00 am NO Wingham Mass
3.00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion Taree
3.00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion Wingham

SATURDAY 31ST OF MARCH

11.00 am-12.00 pm Taree Reconciliation
6.30 pm Taree Rosary
7.00 pm Taree Easter Vigil Mass
7.00 pm Wingham Easter Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 1ST OF APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD

7.00 am Old Bar Rosary
7.30 am Old Bar Mass
7.30 am Harrington Mass
9.00 am Taree Rosary
9.30 am Taree Mass
6.00 pm Cundletown Mass



ANNA'S GROUP

will meet for lunch at Club Taree on Sunday 1st of April. All Welcome.

PARISH PAPER

Preparation for the publication of our next Parish Paper has begun. The deadline date of our next publication is 13th April. Remember this is your paper. Please send your articles, news, photos, (all with names attached) by dropping them into the parish office or by emailing them to kneppy@tpg.com.au (if possible emailed photos appreciated).

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Anyone who can provide flowers for Holy Thursday please bring to Sacristy on Thursday morning and for Easter celebrations, 31st of March at 9.00 am.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST

Morning tea provided by Couples for Christ will be held after Mass on Palm Sunday 25th March to Acknowledge Altar servers, Choir members and RCIA team.

EASTER CHOIR PRACTICE— OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, TAREE

Choir rehearsals for the Easter Triduum will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree on Monday 26th March from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Begins on Good Friday for 9 consecutive days leading up to the feast of Divine Mercy to be celebrated on the 8th of April commencing at 2pm. We can pray this Chaplet for our own personal use or we can offer it for the daily intentions dictated by Our Lord to St Faustina. This leaflet will be available in the church next week if anyone would like a copy.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

will be held at St. Patrick's Church Cundletown at 6.30 pm each Friday during Lent Old Bar at 7.00 pm and Harrington at 9:30 am. All welcome.

+ RCIA +

Monday 7.00 pm-9.00 pm

Taree Resource Centre

Next meeting will be held on Monday the 26th of March
Topic: Lenten Program
All Welcome.

EASTER MASS TIMES 2018

Holy Thursday – 29th March

Reconciliation 10.00 am at Taree

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00 pm at Taree

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00 pm at Wingham

Good Friday – 30th March

Stations of the Cross at Taree – 10.00 am

Stations of the Cross at Old Bar- 10.00 am

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00 pm at Taree

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00 pm at Wingham

Holy Saturday – 31st March

Easter Vigil Mass 7.00 pm at Taree
Easter Vigil Mass 7.00 pm at Wingham

Easter Sunday – 1st April

Mass Sunday 7.30 am at Old Bar
Mass Sunday 7.30 am at Harrington
Mass Sunday 9.30 am at Taree
Mass Sunday 6.00 pm at Cundletown

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION 2018

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.